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Spring General Meeting

Thursday, May 22, 2008

International House

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

UCDEA Annual Business Meeting

Dr. Elizabeth Applegate

“Nutrition and Fitness in the Senior Years”

The General meeting will include the usual annual reports and votes on appropriate items. The business meeting will be followed by a presentation by Dr. Elizabeth Applegate, Director of Sports Nutrition. Liz is one of the outstanding teachers on campus, having received numerous teaching awards and rave reviews from the students in her large classes. This should be a memorable presentation.

from the President's desk...

Dick Walters

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your president for the past two years. I am grateful to many members who have contributed to the growth of our Association: to Charley Hess, my predecessor as president, whose sage advice has helped me throughout these two years; to Alex McCalla who has led UCDEA's efforts in the campus centennial planning and who will be taking over the president's position in a few weeks; to Verne Mendel and the Video Records Committee for their efforts to create a meaningful record of our centennial progress; and to those of you who have stepped up to fill positions on our committees.

Looking back, I see these two years as a time of growth for the Emeriti Association with lots of new activities having taken place, thanks in large part to the support provided by Doreen Strnad and Marjorie Ahl in the Retiree Center. At the organizational maintenance level, our web page is now kept current, a big plus. We have made substantial progress in cleaning up our membership databases, and we can continue to track our membership growth.

Perhaps most memorably, recognition of the accomplishments of our emeriti has been enhanced by creation of a new Distinguished Emeritus Award. I am particularly proud that we were able to honor Wayne Thiebaud as the first recipient of this award.

I look forward to continued growth of our Association, and I want again to express my personal gratitude to all who have contributed to that growth.

Brown Bag Lunch Meeting

Thursday, May 8, 2007

International House

11:30 am to 1:00 pm

Bill Lacy

“International Programs at UC Davis”

The Emeriti Association Program Committee has invited Bill Lacy, Vice Provost, University Outreach and International Programs, to update us on international programs at Davis. This will be our last lunch program for the 2007-2008 year.

Edward A. Dickson Emeriti Professorship, 2008-09

The Edward A. Dickson Emeriti Professorship, which was held this year by Verne Mendel, will be open again in 2008-09. The Awards and Recognition Committee invites emeriti or emeritae to apply by submitting a proposal stating how they would use the stipend attached to the professorship, projected at \$10,000 or less, to support teaching, research, and/or public service projects for the benefit of the Davis campus. Applications are due by June 30, 2008, to Professor Jim Swinehart, Chair of the committee.

Applicants for this Professorship award should submit a concise proposal to the Committee with a budget and justification for categories such as salaries, supplies, and travel. The Awards Committee will evaluate the proposals and submit those deemed meritorious to the Vice Provost for Academic Personnel for approval. The awardee will hold the Professorship from September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009 and must submit a report on the project at the end of the appointment. Questions should be directed to Professor Jim Swinehart, jhswinehart@ucdavis.edu.

Treasurer's Financial Report March 30, 2008

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| Bank of America Checking Account | |
| Balance forward as of 11/29/2007 | \$17,560.02 |
| Credits | 1465.43 |
| Debits | 1167.57 |
| Closing Balance 3/20/2008 | \$17,857.88 |
| Endowment Fund | |
| Market Value as of 2/29/2008 | \$20,323.07 |
| <i>Shirley Goldman, Treasurer</i> | |

from the Retiree Center Coordinator...

Doreen Barcellona Strnad

I'm hoping the spring issue of this newsletter finds you doing well and enjoying our beautiful weather. For those of you who missed it, our first annual Wine Tasting was quite delightful. We had about 60 people in attendance from 5-7 pm on March 1st at the Rominger West Wine Tasting room here in Davis. The Chancellor and his wife stopped by, and Evelyne and Richard Rominger welcomed us as our hosts.

In addition to enjoying their company, we also had the pleasure of meeting many emeriti and retirees. With the quiet jazz guitar of Bill Scholer in the background and the delicious hors d'oeuvres complementing the various wines, it was an absolutely wonderful evening. Based upon the positive response, we hope to make a winetasting an annual event on the first Saturday in March.

Since this newsletter is the last one before September, I'm going to give you an overview of upcoming campus events and opportunities. With the Centennial kick-off this August, we certainly want to be sure you are up-to-date on the many exciting happenings:

- The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at UC Davis Extension is offering a free, first-year introductory membership to newly retired members of the Emeriti Association for the upcoming 2008-09 season. Call: 530-752-9695, Ext. #1 for details. OLLI offers an extraordinary variety of modestly priced courses, programs and cultural events to inform, entertain and serve active minds. If you want to be notified of Fall courses, join soon.



- June 7th: 2nd Annual "Steak Bake" Rec Pool Lodge from 6-10 pm, an evening of wine, dancing and song. Enjoy a great dinner and the music of Calvin Handy's "Vintage Jazz Players." Please see the invitation/order form in this newsletter on page 4. Just fill it out and send it in with your check. Don't miss this magical evening!

- August 15-September 1st: Visit the UC Davis Pavilion at the California State Fair! We are choosing a date to designate as "Emeriti/Retiree" volunteer day; please contact us or our web site for details if you are interested in volunteering for this once-in-a-lifetime event.

- September 24th: Convocation Open House from 12-2 pm at Everson Hall; stop by to see our offices, chat with colleagues, and enjoy a slice of delicious cake to help celebrate the beginning of a special academic year

- October 10th: Fall Festival Centennial Celebration for all

retirees at The Pub and Silo, located in the heart of the campus. Stop by between 5-7 pm and taste test all sorts of wonderful foods affiliated with the university, from the UC Davis olive oil and vinegar, to summer sausage from the UC Davis Meat Lab, to fresh out-of-the-oven focaccia bread. Also available for your pleasure will be various local wines and organic beers.

Hope to see you at one or more of the next year's events!

Emeriti Association Committees 2007-08

Executive Committee

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| President | Dick Walters |
| Vice President | Alex McCalla |
| Treasurer | Shirley Goldman |
| Secretary | Les Faulkin |
| Past Presidents | Charles Hess Verne Mendel John Whitaker Ed Costantini |
| Representative-At-Large | Barbara Webster Dick Wydick |
| Ex-officio | Alan P. Jackman, Chair Senate Emeriti Committee |

Chairs of Standing Committees

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| Committee on Committees | Ed Costantini |
| Awards & Recognition | Jim Swinehart |
| Emeriti Welfare | (open) |
| Program & Agenda | Bill Rains |
| University & Public Relations | Charles Lacy |
| Video Records | John Goss |

2008-09 Nomination Slate

The Committee on Committees presents to the membership the following slate of nominations:

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| President | Alex McCalla |
| Vice President | Graham Gall |
| Treasurer | Shirley Goldman |
| Secretary | Les Faulkin |
| Representative-At-Large | Al Harrison |

Chairs of Standing Committees

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| Committee on Committees | Ed Costantini |
| Awards & Recognition | Jim Swinehart |
| Editorial (<i>EmeriTimes</i>) | Nora McGuinness |
| Emeriti Welfare | Lyn Lofland |
| Membership Committee | Dick Walters |
| Program & Agenda | Bill Rains |
| University & Public Relations | Charles Lacy |
| Video Records | John Goss |

Spring Joint Meeting: Emeriti and Retirees' Associations

Monday, May 5, 2008

University Club

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Lawrence Shepard

Senior Lecturer, Emeritus, Agricultural and Resource

Economics

“Applying Investment Principles
in Scary Times”

In managing their financial assets, University retirees face a scenario that is arguably unprecedented in its bleakness: soaring budget deficits; massive underfunding of Social Security and Medicare; the broader health care crisis; rising oil prices; the shrinking value of the dollar; spiraling balance of trade deficits; decaying property values; instability in the debt and equity markets stemming from the increasing pervasiveness of the sub prime loan problem; two apparently unwinnable wars; the reality of climate change; and a political environment that seems incapable of resolving issues that require sacrifice on the part of any significant constituency.

Against this backdrop, let's have a conversation about enduring investment principles and whether they still apply.

Emeriti Activity 2005-07

More than one-third of the members of the Emeriti association returned the most recent bio-bibliography survey, revealing interesting and valuable contributions emeriti(ae) continue to make to the campus. The average age of respondents is 78, and the average number of years since retirement is, unsurprisingly, 13 years. More than half of these emeriti come to campus 2 or 3 times a week, most by car. About one-third still have space on campus assigned to them.

Thirty-eight percent of respondents are still teaching, most on the UCD campus, and some still serve on doctoral committees. Emeriti are also active in University service—including Senate, departmental, and administrative committees—and in professional service and community service.

Many continue research and publication. In the 2005-07 period, ten percent published books and twelve percent published book chapters. Thirty-six percent published articles and twenty-three percent wrote “consulting” or “professional” reports. Some wrote book reviews and others produced graphic or performance art. One-fourth still conduct research on extramural grants and these support 21 individuals: post-doctoral fellows, graduate assistants, undergraduates, senior research assistants, technical assistants, and staff. In total, respondents produced 846 publications and creative works in the period.

Emeriti at the Nelson Gallery!

James F. Shackelford, Member of the Board of the Friends of the Richard L. Nelson Gallery and Fine Arts Collection

The Richard L. Nelson Gallery is one of the cultural gems of the UC Davis campus. Located in Room 124 of the Art Building, “the Nelson” is a great place for a quiet stroll through a wide range of world-class contemporary art. The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 11:00 am until 5:00 pm, and Sundays from 2:00 pm. to 5:00 pm.

Last fall, an especially popular exhibition entitled “YOU SEE” featured several UC Davis emeriti artists, Wayne Thiebaud, Robert Arneson, Manuel Neri, William Wiley, and Roy DeForest. The three living members of this group of prominent artists (Thiebaud, Neri, and Wiley) participated in a lively panel discussion in November of their days in the Art Department. The video of that discussion is available for download on the Nelson website (<http://nelsongallery.ucdavis.edu>). An affiliated exhibition by three other emeriti (Roland Peterson, Cornelia Schultz, and Ralph Johnson) was held in the exhibition space at the Buehler Alumni Center.

Clearly, these are exciting times for the arts at UCD. A great way to stay current with the visual arts is to come by the Nelson for one of its exhibitions, openings, or symposia. See you there!

OLLI Spring Classes

OLLI, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, is offering new classes and chances to prepare for and attend local performances this spring. Many of the classes are led by Emeriti or Retirees. Religion, politics, science, athletics, literature and arts courses are all part of its Spring line up. Although many of these fourteen courses began in April, courses in “Patient Self Advocacy: Making the Most of Your Fifteen-Minute Appointment” and “Science Grand Rounds: The Habitable Planet” start in May. There may be openings in these courses, so contact UC Davis Extension at 757-8777 for further information.

If you wish to wish to attend the UC Davis symphony's performance of Berlioz' Symphonie Fantastique, on May 18, and/or hear a discussion by Kern Holloman of Berlioz' life and the circumstances of the symphony's creation, on May 16, those Limited Enrollment courses, too, may have openings. Contact UNEX at the same number to enquire.

In Memoriam

Eliezer Benjamini, School of Medicine;
Microbiology and Immunology

Dick Gable, Political Science

Allen Marr, Microbiology

Arnold Rosenwald, Vet Med; Preventive Veterinary
Medicine

Wilfred Toreson, School of Medicine; Pathology

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Join the festivities at the
UC Davis Retiree Center's
"Steak Bake"

An evening of
Wine, Dancing, and Song

Live music by
Calvin Handy & his
"Vintage Jazz Players"

2008
SATURDAY, JUNE 7

UC Davis Rec Pool Lodge ♦ 6-10 pm

Limited space for only 125 people

*\$45 per guest—includes steak dinner, salad, beverages,
dessert plus music and dancing.*

Our very own retirees will be grilling
UC Davis steaks to your liking.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, ST Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of Guest: _____

Name of Guest: _____

Name of Guest: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF GUESTS: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ON ENCLOSED CHECK: _____

Please complete this form and mail it to **UC Davis
Retiree Center, One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA
95616**, along with your check made payable to
UC Regents.

RSVP by **May 31**

No tickets will be sent;
include email address if you wish confirmation.